Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 25 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 26 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 24 Dec 2021 at 16:30

Confidence: High for a couple of days of wet and very windy conditions, as well as for widely poor visibility. From Monday there is uncertainty in the detail of the forecast.

Headline for Saturday 25 Dec 2021: Dull and increasingly wet with widespread gales and perhaps storm force winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 25 Dec 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Drizzle	Drizzle	Drizzle	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
70%	70%	70%	70%	80%	80%	>95%	>95%

Forecast for Saturday 25 Dec 2021

Weather: Easterly gales will bring a feed of increasingly wet conditions through the day. Rainfall will be lighter and more drizzly in nature through morning before heavy rain sets in around midday with little if any respite. This, along with gale force winds will lead to a very real risk of significant chill.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 700m: No chance.

Visibility: Overcast above 200-400m throughout the day. Misty on lower slopes and widely foggy conditions above this with visibility often less than 100m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	42/58 E	42/60 E	43/61 E	47/66 E	45/65 E	44/63 E	43/61 E	40/57 SE	34/50 SE
300	23/41 E	25/42 E	25/44 E	27/48 E	27/47 E	26/46 E	25/44 E	24/42 SE	21/37 SE
Valley	21/40 E	22/41 E	23/42 E	25/46 E	24/45 E	23/44 E	23/43 E	21/40 SE	19/35 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-5	2/-6	2/-6	2/-7	1/-8	1/-8	2/-7	2/-7	2/-6
300	5/-0	5/-1	4/-2	4/-2	4/-3	3/-3	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2
Valley	6/1	6/1	6/0	5/-0	5/-1	4/-1	5/-1	5/-1	5/-0
<< Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1100m	900m	800m	800m	1100m	1000m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Expect to get soaked and significantly chilled in the wind and rain. Hypothermia is a real possibility for those who are unprepared.

Forecast for Sunday 26 Dec 2021

Weather: Another dull and often wet day, although rain will be more showery in nature and wind strengths will be several steps down to what they will be on Christmas Day. Perhaps trending drier through evening.

Maximum wind: Southeast 25 gusting 35mph, easing to 10-20mph through the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 700m: 10%.

Visibility: Cloud will remain persistent above around 400m, occasionally less, especially through morning. Very poor visibility on the hills, and sometimes on lower slopes too during heavier spells of rain.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 6 Celsius.
At 700m: Plus 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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